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ENFORCEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to vest power of enforcing environmental laws with the district magistrates;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) to (c) Certain powers and duties have already been entrusted to the District Magistrate/District Collector for enforcing appropriate provisions of environmental laws specifically under the Rules notified under the Environment (Protection (Act),1986. Presently, there is no such new proposal in this regard.